

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Thursday, except showers Thursday in south portion of peninsula.

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CONCENTRATED HELL IN STEEL CAPSULES

Flood of Shells Poured by British on Germans on the Somme Front

TEUTONS AT ESTREES WON SOME TRENCHES—ALLIED DIPLOMATS DICKERING WITH ROUMANINNS AGAIN

(Associated Press)

London, Aug. 23.—German troops after violent artillery preparation attacked and gained a footing at some points in the French trenches south of Estrees on the Somme front and the Germans violently bombarded the French south of the Somme, says the French statement today.

CONCENTRATED HELL IN CAPSULES

The fearfulness of the battle along the Somme front was witnessed by an Associated Press correspondent with the British, who after viewing the British attack on Thiepval, describes the artillery preparation as a "Niagara rush of swishing screams from capsules of concentrated hell." He tells how the Germans held out to the last and how the British dashed forward against just such a German fire.

RUSSIANS REPULSED

The Austrian statement declares the Russians, despite their determined attacks in Volhynia, Galicia and the Carpathians have failed to gain ground and lost heavily.

ITALIANS ATTACKING IN THE ALPS

Italy has opened an offensive in the Alpine region, according to the Italian announcement, which also tells of Italian gains in the Tofana area, in Dolomites and in the Travenanzes valley.

BATTLING IN THE BALKANS

Both allied wings on the Saloniki front, where the soldiers of at least seven nations are engaged in battle, were bent back yesterday by the Bulgarians.

In the center while the allies' main effort is being made, at the entrance of the Vardar valley, Paris reports important gains. The Serbians have been forced back on the extreme left, about five miles from the Serbian and Grecian frontiers. The Serbs also claim progress on other sections of this front.

The British and French right wing, which crossed the Struma river towards the Bulgarian frontier, has been forced back across the river.

GUNS BUSY NEAR GORIZIA

The Italian infantry is passive in the Gorizia region but the artillery is busy there.

OTTOMANS WERE REPULSED IN ARMENIA

The Turks who have been recently pressing the Russians hard in southern Turkish Armenia, attempted an offensive on the Black Sea coast but the Russians say they were driven back with heavy losses.

DEFERRING TO THE DIPLOMATS

Political developments in the Balkans are temporarily overshadowing even important military operations, but there is little light on the situation. Semi-official reports say Rumania, it is believed, has decided to remain neutral.

D. C. AMBLER

Daniel Griffith Ambler, 74 years of age, for years one of Jacksonville's most prominent citizens, died yesterday morning in a private sanitarium in Providence, R. I. The funeral and interment will take place in Littlefield, Conn., in the family burying ground. Mr. Ambler had made his home in Washington, D. C., since 1901, leaving Jacksonville shortly after the fire. Times-Union.

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HIGH PER CENT OF HEALTH

Reports from Punitive Expedition Give Mexico a Good Rep as a Health Resort

(Associated Press)

Field Headquarters, American Punitive Expedition, Mexico, Aug. 23.—There have been only six deaths from disease and a present sick rate of one and five-tenths per cent since the expedition entered Mexico, it is officially announced.

AMERICAN COMMISSIONERS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED

Mott, Gray and Lane Will Confer With the Mexicans

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 23.—Secretary Lansing announced last night the names of the American members of the joint commission to undertake the settlement of the differences between the United States and Mexico. They are Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, Judge George Gray of Wilmington, Del., and Dr. John R. Mott of New York city.

All of the commissioners have accepted the appointments and arrangements for their meeting with the Mexican commissioners will be made by Secretary Lansing and Eliseo Arredondo, Carranza's ambassador designate.

The only question to be decided on now is where the sessions will be held. The Mexicans are anxious that it be some resort on the New Jersey coast.

Probably the first problem taken up will be the proposed withdrawal of American troops from Mexico. It is expected that this will be agreed to by the United States commissioners, as General Funston has already recommended it.

It is regarded here as probable that the withdrawal of General Pershing's men will soon be followed by the recall of the national guard from the border.

BERLIN

Berlin, Aug. 23.—Miss Loureen Strunk of Montbrook was the guest of her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Crumpton the first of this week.

Mr. Robert Thomas accompanied by Misses Liska Collins and Sarah Wood of Evinston, were guests of the McCully family last Thursday evening. They motored home by moonlight.

Miss Fae Beck is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Howell of Plant City.

Mr. Fenton Blitch and his sister, Miss Oda Blitch of Blitchton were callers in Berlin Sunday afternoon.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. W. R. Roe is again on the sick list.

Rev. Crumpton will fill his regular appointment at the Fellowship church next Saturday and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Clarence Morton and brother, James Morton and Mr. Bart Deas of Pine Level, were guests of Mr. and S. M. Ricks last week.

Miss Janie Mae Perry spent last Thursday night with the Misses McCully.

Miss Lora Brooks returned home from Ocala last Saturday after a short visit with friends. She was accompanied home by Miss Maud Marshall, who will be the guest of the Misses Brooks this week.

IT MAY HIT US

Storm from the Caribbean Seems Traveling Around in Circles

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 22.—The weather bureau reports the tropical disturbance observed yesterday apparently west and southwest of the Turks island and moving northward.

MAXWELL SMASHES RECORDS IN THE WEST

Ray McNamara Makes New Time Between Spokane and Seattle, Portland and Spokane

Ray F. McNamara, piloting a Maxwell car, recently made some remarkable records on the western coast, adding to the reputation this make has established for all-around efficiency.

He broke all speed records in a run from Spokane to Seattle in a stock Maxwell roadster. The elapsed time for this run was eleven hours, fifty-five minutes. The Maxwell bettered the train schedule between these points by more than an hour and lowered the former automobile record by five hours.

McNamara averaged thirty-two miles an hour across the desert lands of eastern Washington. He crossed the dangerous Blewett Pass in the Wenatchee mountains and the Snoqualmie Pass in the Cascades after midnight, and arrived in Seattle early in the morning.

This record run was checked officially by the newspapers of Spokane and Washington.

Another record run for speed and efficiency was hung up by McNamara on a run from Portland to Spokane. The distance is 458 miles and the elapsed time was fifteen hours and thirty-one minutes. The best previous record for this run was made last May, when a motor car did the distance in twenty hours and thirty minutes.

McNamara attributes the success of both runs to the quick acceleration, perfect cooling system, excellent brakes and the Maxwell's ability to stand a good hard beating over a hazardous course.

During his tours in the west, the Maxwell pilot has been gathering some valuable road information for the benefit of motorists. A recent trip out of Portland carried him more than 1000 miles over deserts and through the mountains. Rain and rough roads followed the Maxwell through this junket, but the trip was made without a semblance of mechanical trouble.

OBJECTS OF PROPOSED TRADE EXTENSION

Some of the objects of the proposed trade extension trip of the Tampa board of trade are set forth in a letter from L. P. Dickie, secretary of the organization, to L. R. Trammell, secretary of the Marion County Board of Trade. Mr. Dickie says: "We would expect to hear any objections that you may have to trading with us, and matters that may make it impossible for your people to deal with us, and our party would advise what they would like to do, and try to do. The object of the tour is to become better acquainted with the people with whom we do business."

The tentative date for the trip is between October 16 and October 27.

A new shipment of Crane's stationery just in—all styles. The Court Pharmacy. tf

WILSON IS GOING TO HAVE HIS WAY

ARMY BILL AMENDED BY SENATE TO SUIT HIM AND HOUSE WILL ACCEPT IT

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 23.—The Senate today passed the army appropriation bill with the revised articles of war as approved by the war department. The bill now goes back to the House, where the amendment is expected to be accepted.

A MUSICAL EVENING

At Black Point for the members of Company A

(Special Correspondence of the Star)

Black Point, Aug. 20.—There was a jolly time in Co. A's street last night as the boys danced to the tune of "Don't Hesitate, But Do It Now."

Max Tobleske, with his mandolin, and Freeman with his guitar furnished music for the dance.

There was much musical talent shown when the boys sang "Farewell," "Dear Old Girl," "I'm On My Way to Mexico," "Down on the Rio Grande," etc.

To cheer things up the boys sang for the grand finale, "I Know You are Waiting," "In a Garland of Old Fashioned Roses," "Beneath the Southern Pines," "Down on the Swanee River" and "I'm Coming Back to You."

The Second Regiment went out Monday morning for a 22-mile hike, intending to camp out at night and return Tuesday evening, but owing to the heavy rain that set in at 8:30 it was decided to return to camp and start on another hike Tuesday morning. The boys returned to camp all wet but in good spirits after making eleven miles.

Max Tobleske, of the mounted guards, was taken suddenly sick Sunday night with chills and fever, but is somewhat better. All wish "Tob" a speedy recovery.

SCHNIEDER IS EXCITED

Berlin bulletins are very brief but very significant these days. They say, "Attacks on all fronts repulsed," and furnish indisputable evidence that the Germans and their allies are on the defensive.—Star.

Yes, Mr. Editor Neutral of the Ocala Star!

Its a defence, which holds France from the French, Russia from the Russians, Italy from the Italians, Belgium from the Belgians and what of England? She is willing to sacrifice the last Frenchman, Belgian, Russian or Italian to save her bacon.

And the defence holds. Germany is not being devastated since October 1914. But for our peculiarly American form of neutrality, this damnable butchery could not have lasted the year 1914.

What is more, a genuinely, honest neutrality on the part of the United States could have prevented the holocaust or at least could have confined it to Austria and Serbia. For shame! Our outrageous neutrality is likely to prolong the slaughter. Another year, it's a highly profitable neutrality for about two or three hundred American plutocrats, but look out! "Chickens are said to come home to roost," even the present beneficiaries of our hypocrisy will despise us later for the role we are playing now. C. F. S.

Strange that Comrade Schneider can't see his own inconsistency. He is an American citizen and as much bound to be neutral as we are. On the contrary, he has been much more offensive in his denunciation of the Allies than we have been of Germany. We have never tried to conceal our sympathy for the Allies nor expected Germans to conceal theirs for their Fatherland. What we complain of is the appropriation by some German-Americans of the murder of our own people by men wearing the Kaiser's uniform.

SHARP AND FAMILY ON THE HIGH SEAS

(Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 23.—William G. Sharp, American ambassador to France, and Miss Margaret Sharp, his daughter, were passengers on the French liner LaFayette yesterday from Bordeaux.

SUFFERING IN THE BIG CITY

Scores of Prostrations and Four Deaths Today from Excessive Heat

(Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 23.—There were four deaths and scores of prostrations as a result of the heat wave which is prevailing in New York city. There was only a slight increase in the infantile paralysis epidemic today.

FARM MAKERS' CLUBS AMONG COLORED PEOPLE

According to the report of A. A. Turner, manager club agent of the Farm Makers' Clubs, Florida A. & M. College, Tallahassee, there are over 400 negro boys and girls in this and other counties over the state being taught better farming by this system of farm training afforded them by the state and federal aids.

Up to the present, seven counties are getting the benefit of this opportunity among negro youth. Twenty-nine of the total number enrolled during the past season are working in this county and getting good results in their work. A much larger enrollment will be shown another year, as the work was no more than introduced the past year.

Information has been received that champions in the corn, pig, poultry and canning clubs, including the seven counties, will receive the following prizes: A scholarship in the Florida A. & M. College, for the corn winner; a thoroughbred Duroc-Jersey gilt for the winner in the pig club (March pig); a \$30 canning outfit will be given the best tomato grower and one-half dozen thoroughbred pullets and cockerel will be awarded the champion in the poultry club. The prizes named will be considered as state prizes; county prizes will also be given for the winners in each of the clubs mentioned for each county. All prizes given will be based upon the work done by each member as shown by the reports they submit on their work this fall as greatest yield, cheapest cost of production, best written report on their work, etc.

Fifteen canning machines have been purchased by the various schools working in the seven counties which has been the means of hundreds of cans of fruit and vegetables being put up that would have otherwise been wasted.

The coming of farm makers' clubs to the negro boys and girls in this county will afford them better opportunities in farming and enable them to show progress along the line of better farming and better living.

ANOTHER EAKE KNOCKED OUT

Surgeons at Johns Hopkins Disapprove of Twilight Sleep

Baltimore, Aug. 23.—Johns Hopkins Hospital has practically disapproved of the "twilight sleep" method in childbirth. The hospital authorities abandoned experimental use of the method more than nine months ago. The conclusion reached is that it is too perilous, that the menace to the life of the child is too grave to warrant its use except under the most favorable circumstances.

After more than a year's use of the twilight sleep drug, scopolamin, the obstetricians found that it could be safely used only under exceptional conditions because of questions regarding the proper dosage.

SIGHTED THE DEUTSCHLAND

Newport News, Va., Aug. 23.—Captain G. C. Olsen, of the Norwegian steamer Alf, which arrived here yesterday, stated that on August 6, he passed the German merchant submarine Deutschland in longitude 51 west, latitude 41.40. She was proceeding at a very moderate rate of speed in an east and southeasterly direction.

RAILROAD WORKERS WERE UNRULY

An Open Break Was Narrowly Averted

EMPLOYEES SEEM TO THINK MANAGERS ARE MAKING A CATSPAW OF THE PRESIDENT

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 23.—The brotherhood committeemen at a meeting this morning showed such marked signs of unrest at the delay in the negotiations between President Wilson and the railroad executives that the leaders of the brotherhoods became alarmed and expressed fears of their ability to hold the committeemen in check. The brotherhood meeting was thrown into an uproar by the demands of the minority, who are demanding immediate action unless the railroads accept the president's plan. The leaders adjourned the meeting before any vote could be taken. Later they said they could hold off the minority for a while. The committeemen meet again tomorrow. Some of them wanted to go home today, and leave the brotherhood heads with authority to call a strike in case the railroads don't accept the president's plan. One committeeman charged the railroads with playing with the president, as he said they had played with the brotherhoods for time.

While the railroad executives continued in conference among themselves, President Wilson conferred with Senator Newlands and Representative Adamson, chairmen of the interstate commerce committees of Congress, over the bill to add two members to the Interstate Commerce Commission. Senator Newlands said he would push the bill. This is taken to mean it is intended, if possible, to refer the investigation features to the commission.

EMPLOYERS ARE WAVERING

There were many indications this afternoon that the railroad presidents are considering the eight-hour day, on condition that some definite assurance be given them by the brotherhoods that in future disputes will be arbitrated. Chairman Holden of the special railroad committee denied the reports that a conclusion had already been reached.

A PHILADELPHIA LETTER

Editor Star: A stranger dropping down into this village just now would think that he had lost his reckoning and that it was still July 4th, for all public buildings, stores and private dwellings whose owners are the proud possessors of a piece of national bunting are still displaying the same from their house tops or front porches, while a great many teams and carriages and even the pulpits in the churches, many of which own beautiful silk flags, have them placed one on each side of the preacher. By a little investigation I find that they were all brought out and the whole city beautifully decorated in honor of the soldier boys when they left a short time since for the Mexican border, and the flags are still flying that those boys may know they are not forgotten. We think this quite a pretty idea and commend it to the Ocala friends of Co. A.

There are but three topics of conversation that are admissible here just at present. The first of these is the weather and it certainly is a heated subject at the present time. Of course Florida crackers think they are qualified to speak on the subject as far as thermometers indicate but we've never experience the kind of article that is being handed out here just now. In Florida it is hot, very hot, at times, but it is out in the bright sunshine, while in the shade of a tree or house it is invariably cool. Here the hottest weather we have is when the sun does not shine at all and the humidity is thick enough to cut with a dull knife, and the consequences of this is that the clang of the ambulance bell is heard every hour of the day hurrying some poor wretch to the hospital overcome by the heat. I was watching some bricklayers at work. A laborer emptied his hod of bricks on a second story scaffold and as he turned to go down

GREEN HAS RETURNED

American Naval Officer in Copenhagen After an Expedition to the Arctic

(Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 23.—Ensign Fitzhugh Green, the American naval officer assigned to the McMillan Crocker land expedition, reported his safe arrival at Copenhagen, but didn't say whether the expedition found Crocker land, which some scientists claim doesn't exist.

the ladder, he was struck by the heat and pitched head first to the street pavement. I find it a hard matter to make people here believe that nothing like that has ever happened in Florida. A few days since I noticed by the government report that it was hotter in Philadelphia and Chicago than it was in Phoenix, Ariz., and that used to be called the warmest place in the country and in the olden times when it was only a fort, a soldier died, and his ghost had to come back for his blankets, so you may know it is some warm here just at present.

Another rather general topic of conversation is the war and strangers like us have to be rather cautious how we express our opinions in strange company for as likely as not there may be a wide difference between their convictions and ours, and while a possible majority of the people here deplore the war they have but little complaint to make against what it has, done for business, for in last evening's paper I counted over five solid columns of help wanted.

In speaking of the inconveniences arising from the war some one predicts a shortage of blue pencils on account of not getting the dye stuff from Germany. Now if there is a scarcity of pens because all steel works are now making bullets, and the paste pot material is sent to help feed the Belgians, what are the poor editors to do for tools.

Of course we hear considerable baseball talk as the Philadelphia club is now next to the top but the Brooklyn team, which is No. 1, refuse to be beaten and are keeping the Phillies out of their proper place. A reporter said that it was very foolish of someone wasting their efforts in blowing up ships and ammunition warehouses, for if they would drop a few dynamite bombs on the heads of the Brooklyn club they might be doing some good for this country. H. C. Packham.

IRVINE

Irvine, Aug. 22.—Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis left Monday for Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Zora McIver and Miss Mamie Fant are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Dug Fant of Flemington.

Mrs. L. K. Edwards and daughter, Miss Ruby, returned Sunday from Worthington.

Mr. L. K. Edwards visited Worthington Springs Sunday and reported a grand time.

Mr. Clarence Chitty, Mr. Strickland and Roscoe Collings visited Worthington Springs Sunday.

Mr. John Smoak and Mr. David Payne of Fairfield were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. George Blitch has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Blitch and Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Blitch passed thru Irvine from the picnic at Flemington last Wednesday.

Seed oats, seed rye and rape seed, for fall planting. Ocala Seed Store. tf

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